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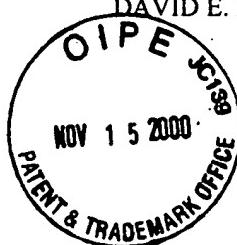


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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 65.**

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Sir:

In response to the NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION - FILING DATE GRANTED mailed September 18, 2000, enclosed please find an executed Declaration/Power of Attorney form, together with the surcharge fee of \$65.00. Also enclosed is a copy of the NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION - FILING DATE GRANTED.

The Assistant Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1205.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa office by telephone at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,



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